## ABSTRACT

There is provided a data backup unit 14 having a charging connection terminal 24 to be connected to a charging terminal 22 of a portable telephone 12 and an information transmission connection terminal 24a to be connected to an external information instrument connection terminal 22a. The data backup unit 14 automatically reads through the information transmission connection terminal 24a the data including at least the control information stored in the portable telephone 12 and to be backed up in association with the charging operation when the portable telephone is put in the data backup unit 14 for charging it and automatically transmits the data through the communication modem or the like to the database center 16 in association with the reading process.